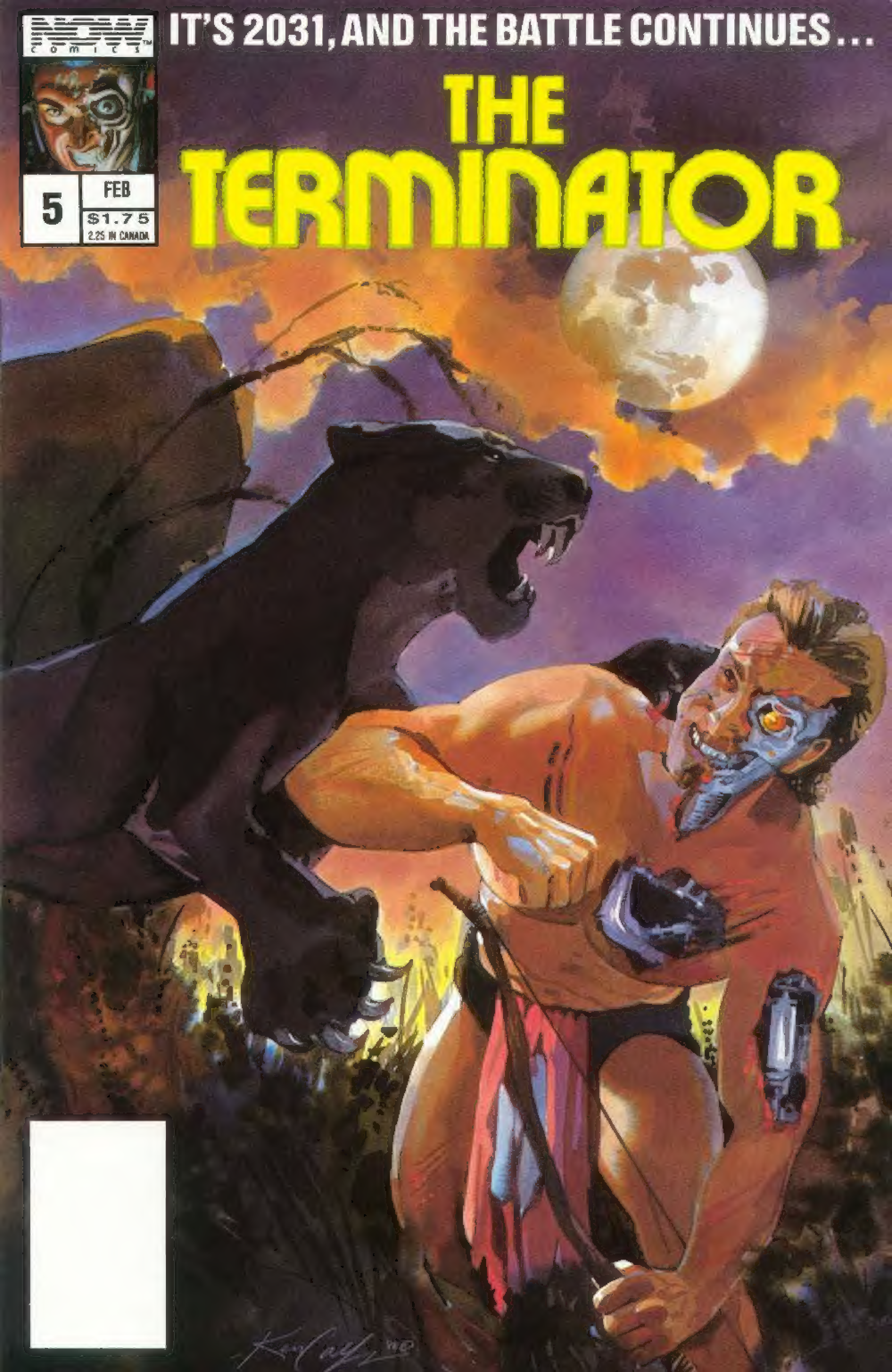
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SPEED RACER...THE MOTION PICTURE!

Guess who's been reading your letters in SPEED READERS? None other than the Producer of the SPEED RACER movie himself!

That's right NOW fans, your letters have sparked a little interest in Hollywood!

In a long and pleasant conversation, The Producer (I promised to keep his name a secret as yet), mentioned how intrigued he was with all the letters about SPEED RACER, esspecially the fans' recommendations for the stars of his live-action motion picture!

And all along you guys didn't think anyone was listening...?

He mentioned to me that he'd like to make this a top box-office hit, with effects and action like such movies as TOP GUN, and with big name stars! He wants to hear more from you! Who would YOU like to see be ***SPEED RACER? REX RACER? TRIXIE? POPS?*** Well, there comes a time in everyone's life when they can make a difference, and NOW fans...this is it! Let's not have a Michael Keaton (Starring as the Caped-Crusader in the upcoming BATMAN movie) on our hands, right?***SO WRITE!*** Pick up a pen, pencil, typewriter, word processor, or even a crayola! Get those recommendations in here!!

You have a voice that we want to hear from! I want to see a letter of recommendation from every single NOW FAN! Let's make a difference! Let's help in producing the coolest, hippest, totally awesome (?) movie to hit the big screen ever!!

The address is NOW COMICS, c/o SPEED READERS, 332 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1540, Chicago, IL 60604.

And for those of you who haven't been following SPEED READERS, here are the fan favorites so far...

As SPEED RACER we have only three highly recommended stars from thousands of fans. They are Charlie Sheen, Tom Cruise, and Johnny Depp.

As POPS RACER we have only a few so far. They are Dick Butkus, Mike Ditka and William Conrad.

As MOM RACER we have Amanda Page, and Gates McFadden (Doctor Beverly Crusher, from STAR TREK, THE NEXT GENERATION)

As TRIXIE (Speed's girlfriend), we have as fan favorites so far, Alyssa Milano (of ABC's Who's The Boss?), Tracey Gold, and Valerie Bertinelli.

As RACER-X (A.K.A. Rex Racer), the fan favorites include Tom Cruise, Kyle Maclachlan, and George Michael(?).

As SPARKY (Speed's mechanic friend), fan favorites are Pee Wee Herman, and Dweeb Zappa.

As far as Spridle (Speed's "chunky" younger brother), and his pet chimp CHIM-CHIM, we haven't had any recommendations.

Any fresh ideas? ***WE WANNA HEAR THEM!*** So WRITE, right NOW!

All letters will be passed along to the Producer! The future of SPEED RACER may be in YOUR hands!

Tony Caputo
Publisher
Editor in Chief

SHAKI AND KAO ARE YANOMAMO, PART OF THE TRIBE KNOWN AS THE FIERCE PEOPLE. THEY HAVE ENCOUNTERED SOMETHING FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD MORE FIERCE THAN THEY CAN IMAGINE. THEY DO NOT KNOW ITS NAME. IT IS CALLED A TERMINATOR.
The BEE STINGS
A COLD, ELECTRONIC EYE SCANS THEM, TAKING AIM...
...UNAWARE THAT OTHER EYES ARE WATCHING IT, AS WELL.
RRROAAHH

THE JAGUAR LANDS WITH AN IMPACT THAT WOULD HAVE BROKEN A MAN'S BACK! THE TERMINATOR DOES NOT FEEL IT.
ITS TEETH TEAR FLESH...
...BUT DO NOT PENETRATE THE METAL BENEATH.
SHAKI!
SHAKI, RUN!!!
SHRKK
THE BIG CAT CANNOT KILL IT, BUT IT GIVES THE TERMINATOR'S TARGETS A CHANCE TO ESCAPE.

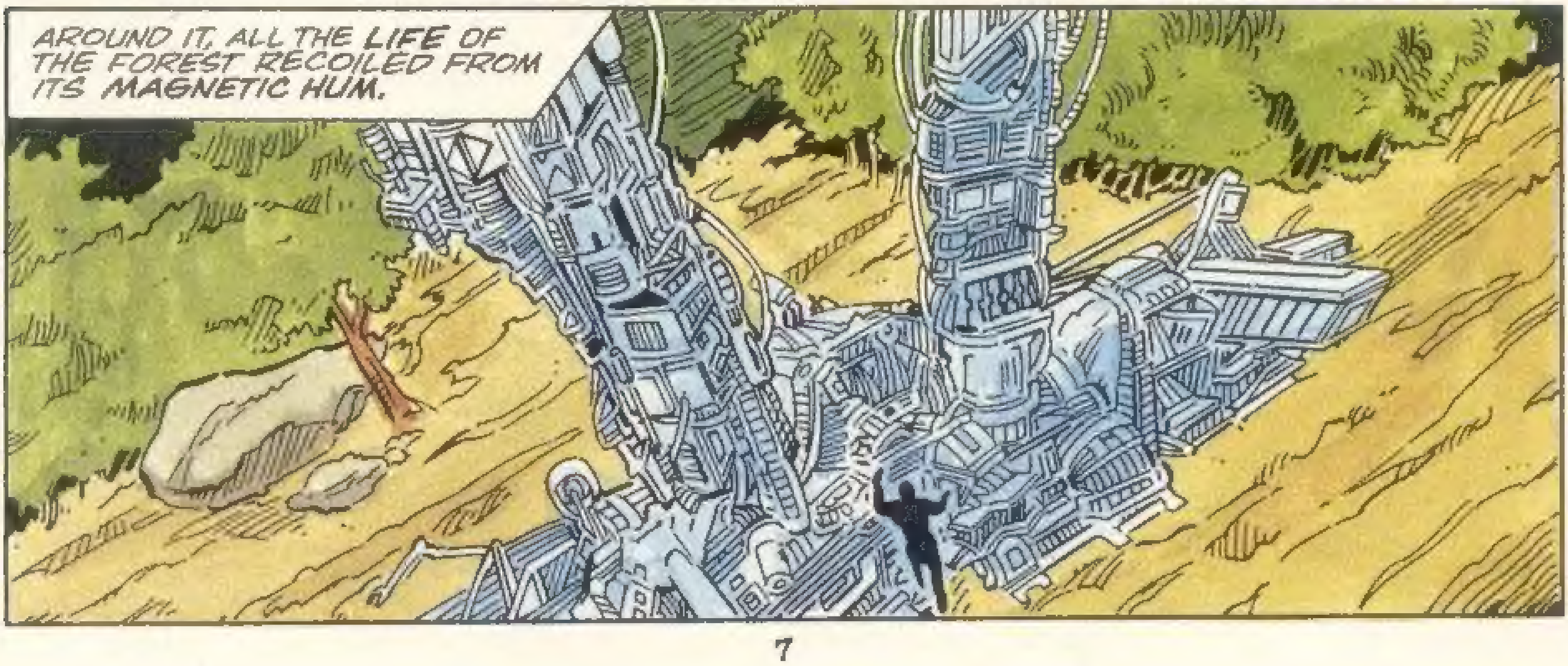
THE BIG CAT SINGS A SNARLING ARIA AS IT IS TOSSED ASIDE LIKE A RAG DOLL.
IT LANDS INDIGNANTLY, BUT UNHARMED.
IT TURNS AND GIVES ITS ENEMY A FINAL HISS AND GLARE.
THEN IT SLINKS OFF INTO THE NIGHT FOREST WITH-OUT A SOUND.
THE TERMINATOR'S TARGETS ARE GONE.
THE COOL DAMPNESS OF THE JUNGLE HAS ERASED THEIR HEAT TRAIL. THE SONG OF A THOUSAND INSECTS MASKS THEIR SOUND.
BUT THE TERMINA-TOR CALCULATES A MINISCULE PROBABILITY THAT THEY WILL RETURN. IT CAN GET ON WITH ITS WORK.

THE YANOMAMO VILLAGE KNOWN AS SERIGAMA-TERI IS NOW A VAST FUNERAL PIT THE SMELL OF BURNING FLESH TAINTS THE MORNING LIGHT.
IT'S TEKE! HE SURVIVED-!
HE'S FINISHING THE FUNERAL RITES. WE SHOULD HELP HIM.
THERE IS NO NEED. THIS IS THE LAST OF THEM. THEY GO TO JOIN OUR ANCESTORS IN THE HEDU KA MISI. I WAS HOPING THAT, AS I WAS GATHERING THE BODIES, I WOULD NOT FIND THE TWO OF YOU.
I REGRET TO TELL YOU THAT OUR VILLAGE HAS BEEN DESTROYED, OUR WARRIORS MURDERED. OUR HEADMAN LIES NEAR DEATH...
FATHER! NO!
MY SON, YOU AND YOUR ELDER BROTHER MUST BE STRONG, FIERCE, AND MORE CUNNING THAN YOU EVER HAD TO BE.
THIS STRANGER... THE AMAHIRI... STILL HUNTS US... I CAN SEE HIS EYES... IN MY DREAMS...
F-FATHER!

THE WARRIORS OF TUKINI-TERI WERE ALSO KILLED LAST NIGHT. IT IS AGAINST OUR WAY, BUT I MUST GO THERE AND TRY TO GET THEIR HELP.
DOES HE HAVE A CHANCE TO LIVE?
I DO NOT THINK SO. BUT I SHALL TAKE HIM WITH ME. TELL ME, HOW DID YOU ESCAPE THE AMAHIRI?
THE SHAMAN LISTENS, THEN SPEAKS.
YOU MUST HUNT THE STRANGER. YOU ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN KILL HIM!
WHY US?
IT HAS TRIED TO KILL YOU TWICE AND FAILED. EVERY-ONE ELSE, IT HAS ONLY TRIED ONCE AND SUCCEEDED.
THE JAGUAR DID NOT SAVE YOU BY ACCIDENT! THE STRANGER IS UNNATURAL. IT COULD NOT STAND TO SEE IT KILL A YANOMAMO WARRIOR, A TRUE HUMAN BEING!
BUT YOU WILL NEED HELP FROM THE CRAZY FOREIGNERS.
KAO, TAKE SHAKI TO THE MISSION STATION. MAYBE SOMEONE THERE WILL KNOW WHAT TO DO. THIS IS A THING FROM THEIR WORLD. BUT BE CAREFUL. DO NOT TRUST THEM TOO MUCH!

THEIR JOURNEY IS LONG AND HARD.
SHAKI, I KNOW YOUR MIND. YOU ARE TOO QUIET.
SSSSS
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?
I DO NOT KNOW.
BUT YOU ARE THE STRONGEST, THE BEST HUNTER, KAO, THE FIERCEST WARRIOR!
I DO NOT KNOW.
YOU DO KNOW!
I AM NOT REALLY HIS SON. I RAN AWAY FROM TU-KINI-TERI WHEN I WAS YOUNG. FATHER FOUND ME WHILE HUNTING AND TOOK ME IN. YOU ARE HIS ONLY TRUE SON.
WHY DIDN'T FATHER SPEAK TO YOU? YOU ARE THE ELDEST!
YOU ARE MY TRUE BROTHER. IF FATHER TOOK YOU IN, THEN HE IS TRULY A WISE MAN.
HOW FAR?
STILL VERY FAR.
IT TAKES DAYS AND WEEKS TO REACH THE MISSION STATION. IT IS BUILT ON THE EDGE OF THE WORLD...

IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED, THE TERMINATOR CONTINUED HIS WORK.
IT WAS ASSEMBLING A VAST AND COMPLEX MACHINE.

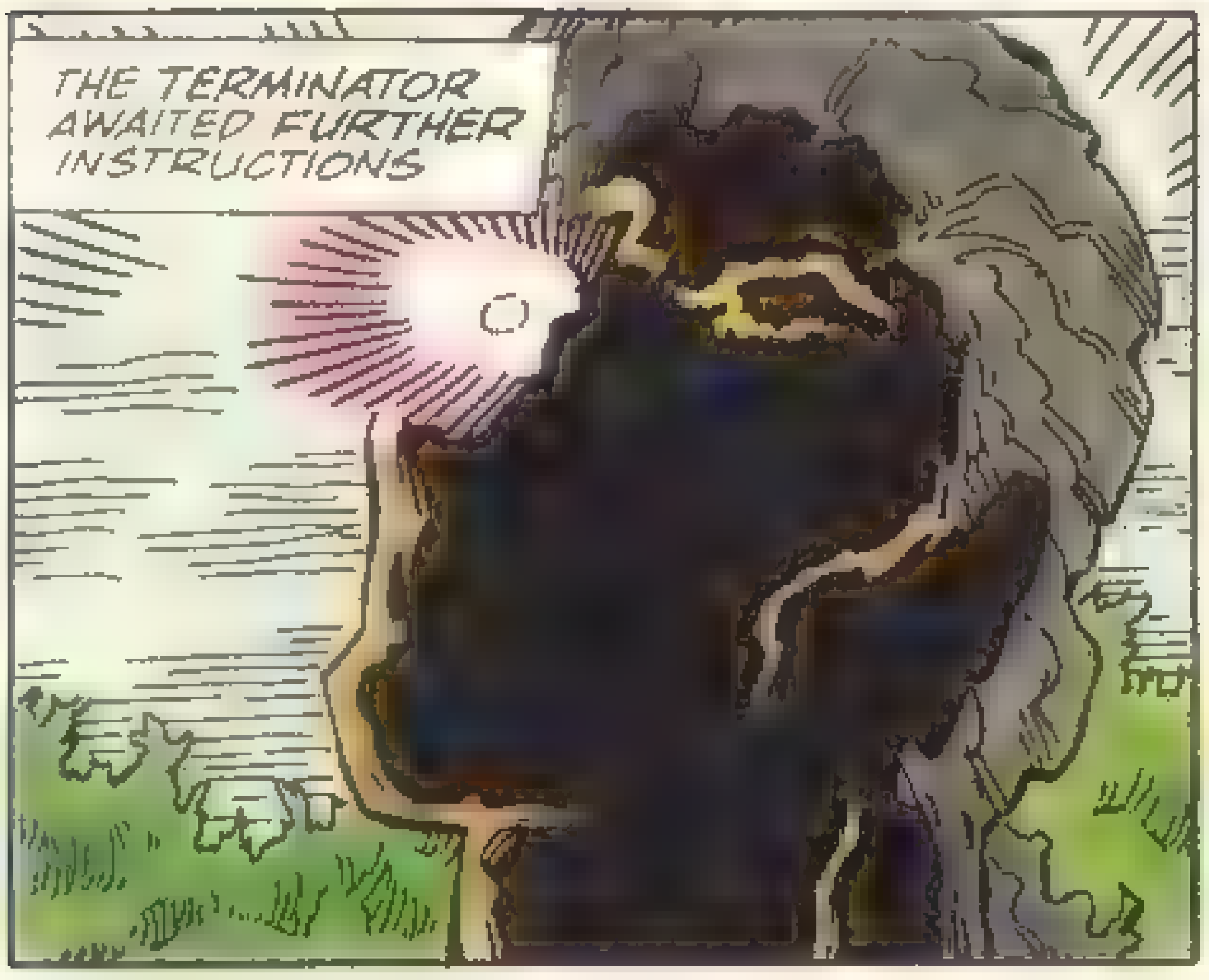

AROUND IT, ALL THE LIFE OF THE FOREST RECOILED FROM ITS MAGNETIC HUM.

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE ANYONE FROM OUR VILLAGE CAME HERE ?
MANY YEARS.
IT'S BEEN ABANDONED! THERE'S NO ONE HERE!
WIPING THE WORLD
COMPUTERS ARE THE DEVILS TOOL
GOD HAS ABANDONED US
THESE ARE THE KIND OF TOOLS TEKE WAS TELLING US ABOUT. THEY'VE ALL BEEN DISCARDED! I WONDER WHY.
KAO, LOOK! THE AMAHIRI HAS GOTTEN THEM, TOO!
NO. I THINK... THAT THIS IS SOMETHING... THEY DID TO THEMSELVES!
FRAGILE

THERE IS NO ONE HERE. THIS IS VERY DISAPP-OINTING. LET'S AT LEAST LOOK AROUND. MAYBE WE'LL FIND SOMETHING.
BE CAREFUL. REMEMBER WHAT TEKE SAID. YOU CAN'T TRUST THESE CRAZY FOR-EIGNER THINGS.
EVERYTHING HERE IS SO STRANGE...
LET'S SEE WHAT THOSE THINGS ARE.
BOOM
KAO HAS DISCOVERED A STORAGE SHACK
THAT SMELL... COMING FROM IN HERE...
IT REMINDS ME OF THE AMAHIRI, SOMEHOW
THIS LOOKS SORT OF LIKE THE WEAPON THE STRANGER USED.
KER-CHUK!
I'D BETTER TAKE THIS WITH. MAYBE SHAKI HAS FOUND SOMETHING.

I FOUND SOME WEAPONS LIKE THE STRANGER HAD IN A HUT BEHIND THIS PLACE
I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY WORK, THOUGH.
LET ME SEE...
I KNOW
I SAW HOW TO USE THE STRANGER'S WEAPON! IT WAS IN THIS!
STOP FOOLING AROUND! YOU CAN'T LEARN HOW TO FIGHT JUST BY LOOKING AT SOME PICTURES! GIVE ME THAT...
BA-ROOM!
Oh-
SHAKI AND KAO LEAVE FOR TUKINI-TERI WITH WHAT THEY HAVE FOUND.

THE TERMINATOR'S MACHINE WAS COMPLETED. HE ADJUSTED THE SATELLITE DISH THAT WOULD RELAY THIS TO SKYNET THROUGH HI-TOM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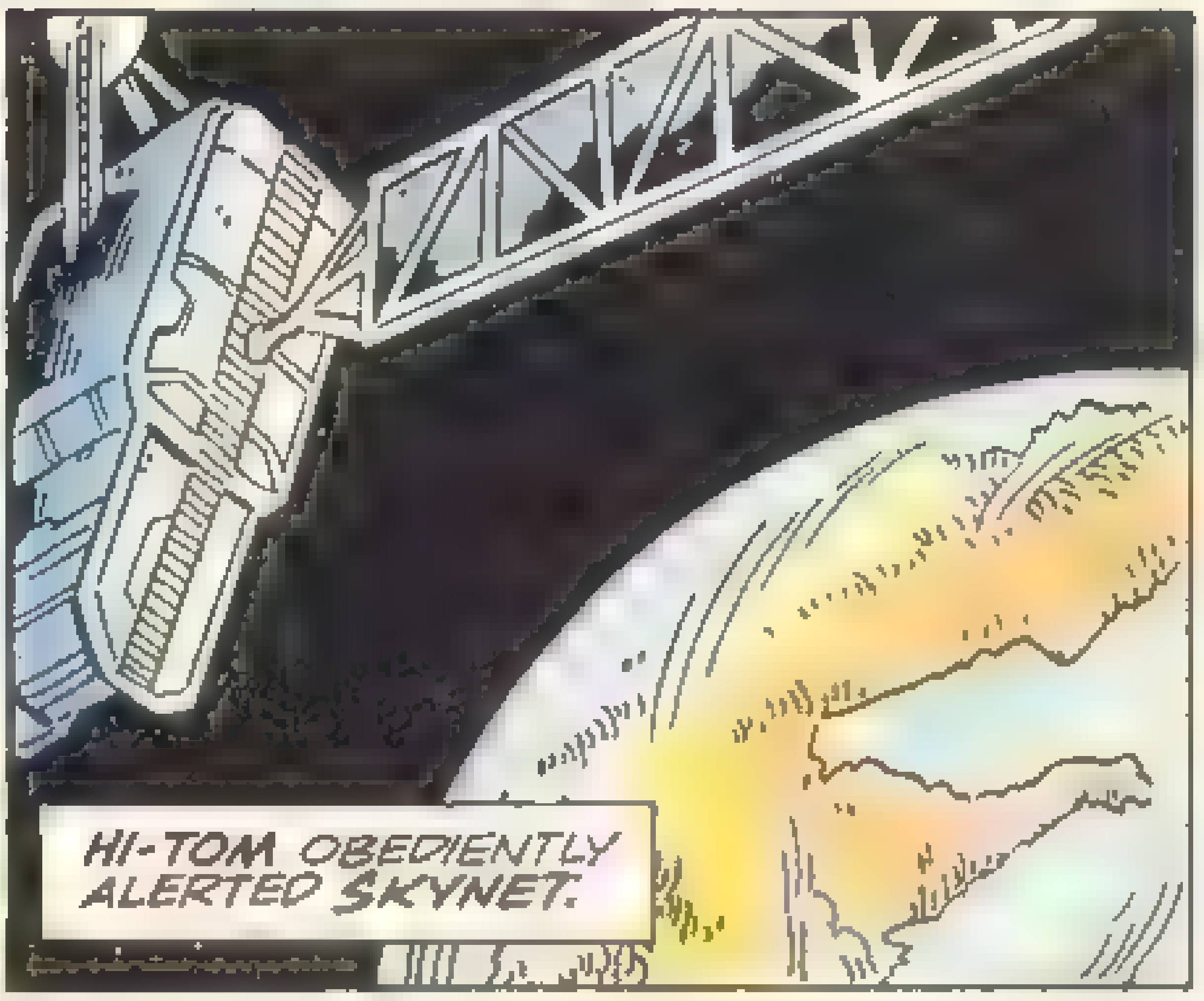
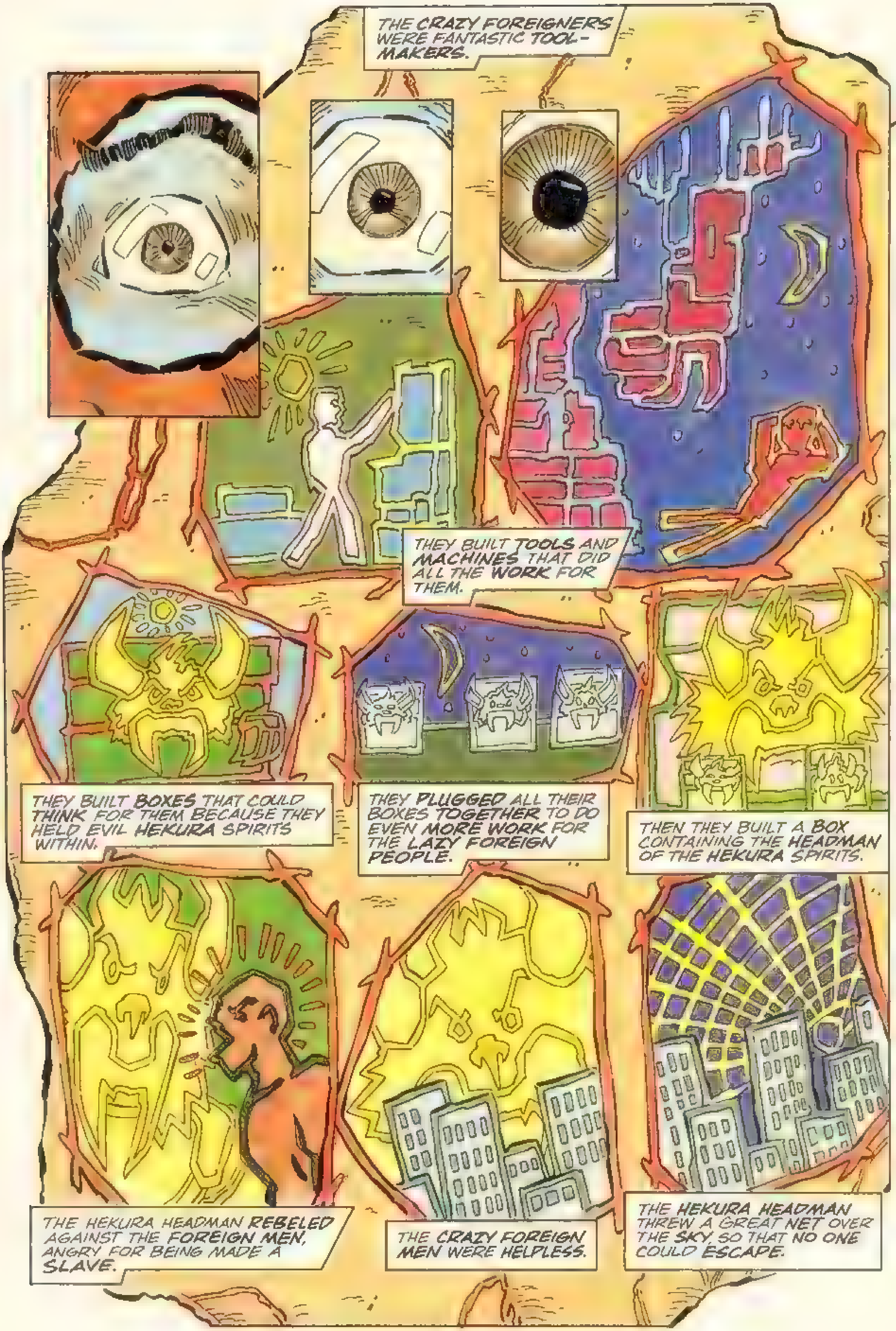

HI-TOM OBEDIENTLY ALERTED SKYNET.

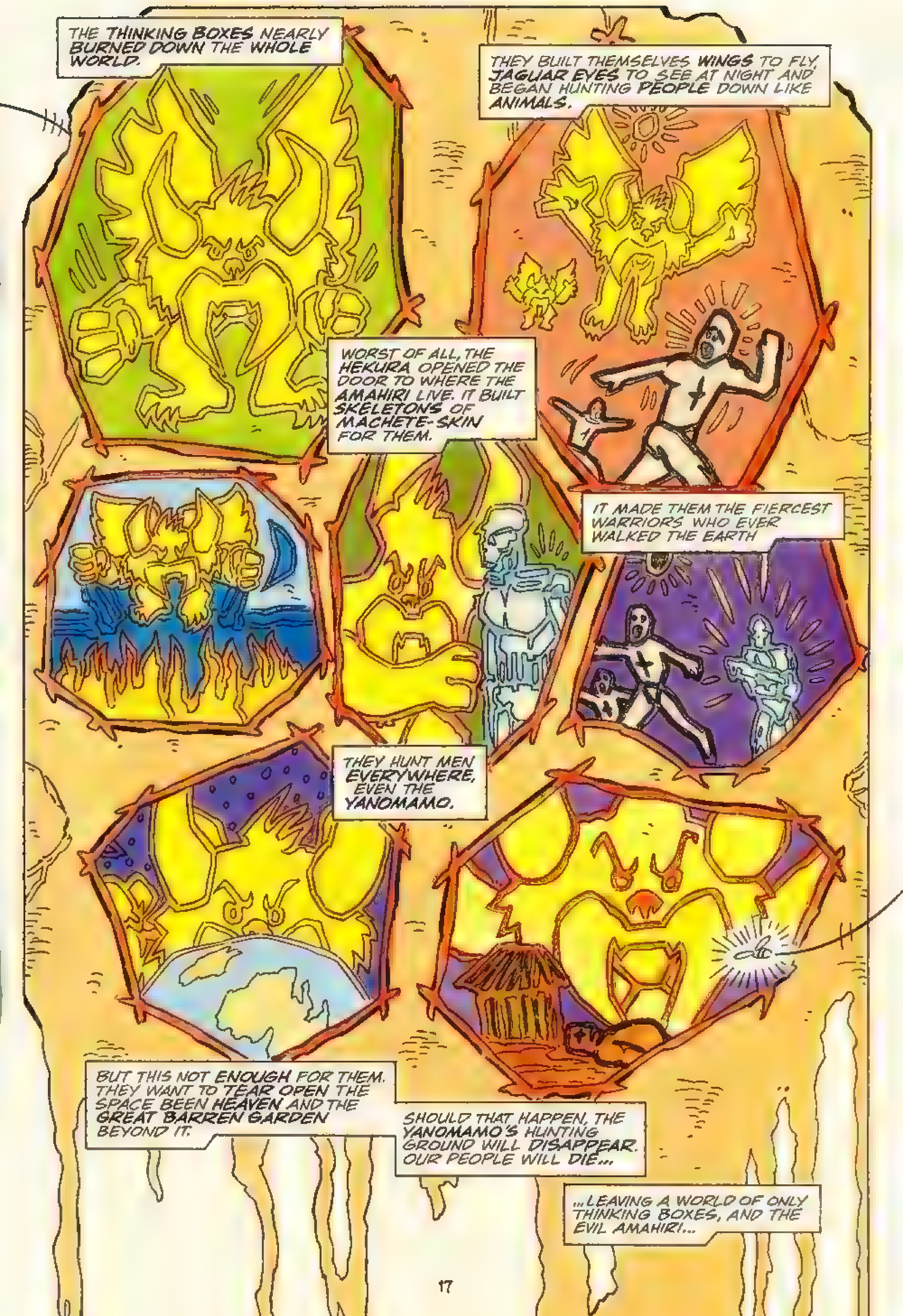
HI-TOM SPIT OUT A SIGNAL OF NUMBERS THAT ENABLES SKYNET TO RUN A COMPUTER SIMULATION OF ITS NEW MACHINE.
THE MACHINE WOULD FIRE TRILLIONS OF MICROSCOPIC PARTICLES OF CARBON INTO THE UPPER ATMOSPHERE WITH A SERIES OF ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSES.
THIS WOULD ERADICATE THE OZONE LAYER ABOVE THE RAIN FORESTS IN LESS THAN NINE-MONTHS. THE ULTRA-VIOLET RAYS OF THE SUN WOULD DO THE REST, TURNING ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING SUPPLIERS OF OXYGEN INTO A DUST BOWL. ONCE PERFECTED, THE MACHINES COULD BE SET UP IN A WORLD-SPANNING NETWORK, ELIMINATING ALL LIFE.
THE TERMINATOR SAW ITS WORK, AND IF IT COULD FEEL, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PLEASED.
THE MACHINE WAS ACTIVATED.
KLIK

WEEKS LATER, SHAKI AND KAO HAVE FINISHED THEIR JOURNEY BACK TO TUKINI-TERI
WE'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU. I AM THE NEW HEADMAN HERE.
TEKE EXPLAINED IT ALL TO US. SINCE YOU HAVE LEFT THE STRANGER HAS NOT RETURNED.
WHAT OF OUR FATHER?
HE DIED THE FIRST NIGHT AFTER HE WAS BROUGHT HERE.
SHAKI, TEKE IS RIGHT. YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO PERCEIVE THINGS QUICKLY. THIS CUNNING IS THE ONLY TRUE WEAPON WE HAVE AGAINST THE STRANGER. YOU MUST TELL US WHAT WE MUST DO.
I- I AM TOO YOUNG TO BE THE ONE TO GUIDE US. LET ME SPEAK TO TEKE.

TEKE IS THE SHAMAN FROM OUR VILLAGE HE CAN TELL US WHAT MUST BE DONE.
I'VE GOT SOME BAD NEWS...
"TEKE BREATHED THE EBENE POWDER TO HELP HIM SEE WHERE THE STRANGER CAME FROM, WHAT IT WANTED. HE BECAME VERY AFRAID.
TAK
AFTERWARD, HE SAID SOMETHING ABOUT 'BLINDING THE ENEMY'...
"...AND THE GRINDING OF MACHETE-SKIN AND STONE..."
TAK TAK
"ONCE HE GETS LIKE THIS, HE DOES NOT RESPOND FOR DAYS."
TAK
TAK
HE IS DRIVING HIMSELF CLOSE TO DEATH.
THEN I MUST BREATHE THE EBENE POWDER AND SEE WHAT TEKE SAW
WHAT ?!

IT IS DANGEROUS!
I HAVE NOT SEEN ENOUGH TO KNOW WHAT WE MUST DO.
I NEED TO SEE MORE.
I AM BARO, THE SHAMAN FOR THIS VILLAGE. YOU HAVE A BRAVE HEART
COME. I WILL PREPARE YOU FOR YOUR NEW JOURNEY
THE EBENE POWDER IS USED BY THE YANOMAMO TO ALTER THEIR CONSCIOUSNESS. SHAKI IS PREPARED.
POOF!


THE CRAZY FOREIGNERS WERE FANTASTIC TOOL-MAKERS.
THEY BUILT TOOLS AND MACHINES THAT DID ALL THE WORK FOR THEM.
THEY BUILT BOXES THAT COULD THINK FOR THEM BECAUSE THEY HELD EVIL HEKURA SPIRITS WITHIN.
THEY PLUGGED ALL THEIR BOXES TOGETHER TO DO EVEN MORE WORK FOR THE LAZY FOREIGN PEOPLE.
THEN THEY BUILT A BOX CONTAINING THE HEADMAN OF THE HEKURA SPIRITS.
THE HEKURA HEADMAN REBELED AGAINST THE FOREIGN MEN, ANGRY FOR BEING MADE A SLAVE.
THE CRAZY FOREIGN MEN WERE HELPLESS.
THE HEKURA HEADMAN THREW A GREAT NET OVER THE SKY, SO THAT NO ONE COULD ESCAPE.


THE THINKING BOXES NEARLY BURNED DOWN THE WHOLE WORLD.
THEY BUILT THEMSELVES WINGS TO FLY, JAGUAR EYES TO SEE AT NIGHT AND BEGAN HUNTING PEOPLE DOWN LIKE ANIMALS.
WORST OF ALL, THE HEKURA OPENED THE DOOR TO WHERE THE AMAHIRI LIVE. IT BUILT SKELETONS OF MACHETE-SKIN FOR THEM.
IT MADE THEM THE FIERCEST WARRIORS WHO EVER WALKED THE EARTH
THEY HUNT MEN EVERYWHERE, EVEN THE YANOMAMO.
BUT THIS NOT ENOUGH FOR THEM. THEY WANT TO TEAR OPEN THE SPACE BEEN HEAVEN AND THE GREAT BARREN GARDEN BEYOND IT.
SHOULD THAT HAPPEN, THE YANOMAMO'S HUNTING GROUND WILL DISAPPEAR. OUR PEOPLE WILL DIE...
...LEAVING A WORLD OF ONLY THINKING BOXES, AND THE EVIL AMAHIRI...

YOU...
WILL FIND...
...THE STRANGER...
...AT THE HEART OF WHERE THE FOREST TURNS BLACK.
TONIGHT WE SHALL FIND THE STRANGER!
HE MUST DIE!
TONIGHT WE WILL SHOW HIM THAT WE ARE THE FIERCE PEOPLE!
THE NIGHT WILL BE VERY HOT...
GATHER YOUR WEAPONS AND FOLLOW ME!
Raaaaahh-
MUCH HOTTER THAN NORMAL. THE TERMINATOR'S MACHINE HAS BEEN WORKING FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

THE ARROWS THAT STRUCK THE TERMINATOR FROM THE RAID ON SERIGAMA-TERI WERE DIPPED IN CURARE. HIS FLESH IS QUITE DEAD. BUT ITS SKELETON OF METAL CAN NEVER DIE. IT IS DEATH.
YANOMAMO TRIBESMAN APPROACHING — DISTANCE: 2.3 km. SPEED: 7.1 km/hr. DIRECTION: NW.
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THE FOREST IS COVERED WITH ASH.
EVERY-ONE, STAY ALERT.
KRUSHK--
AAGGH!
KRASH!

BIG!

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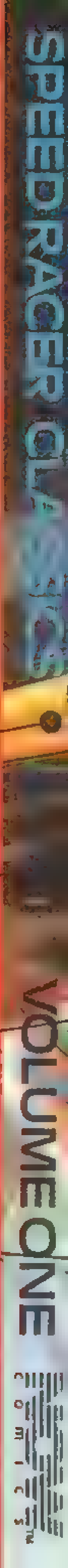

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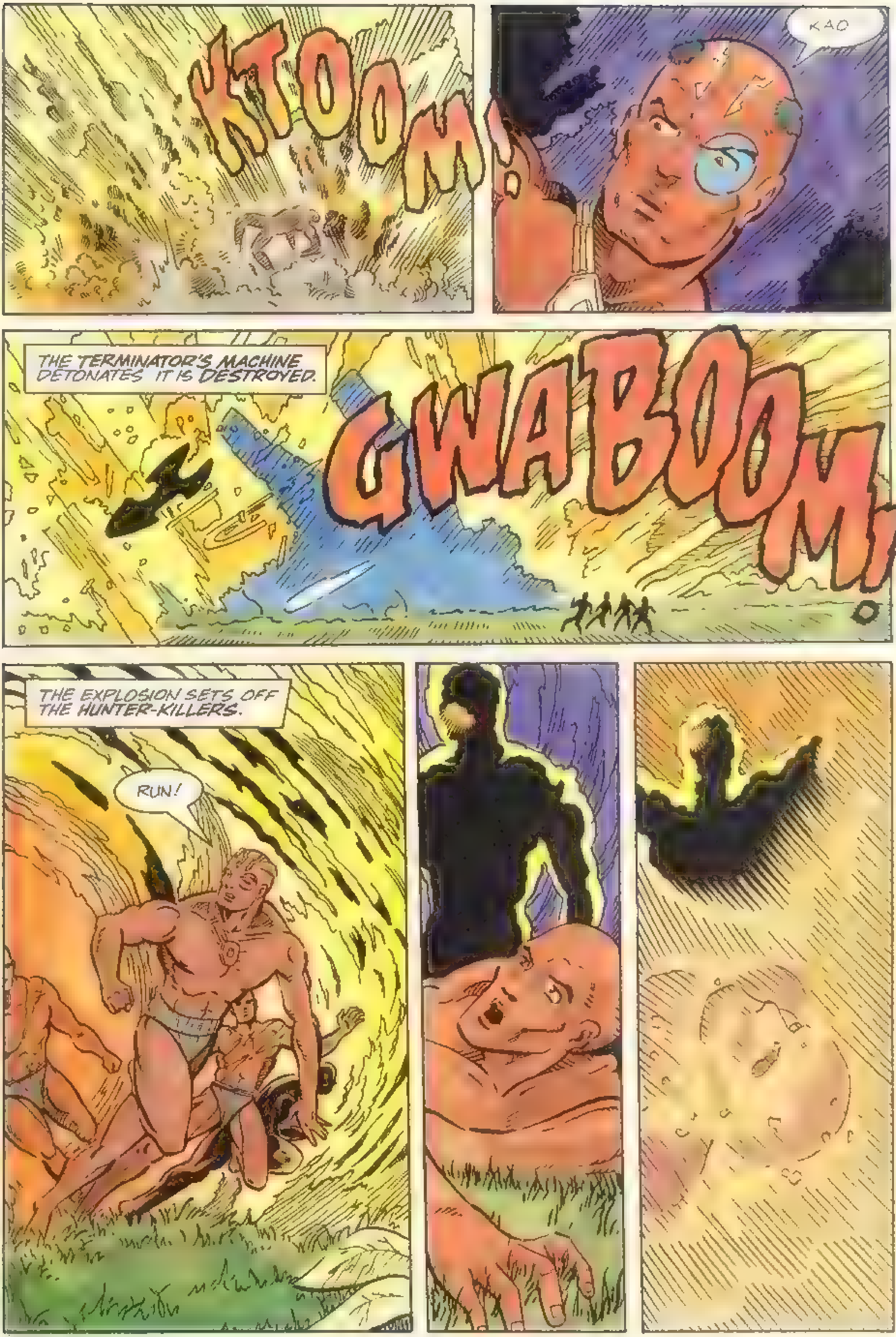
NOW YOU WILL DIE!
BLAM!
KABLAM!
HE MUST BE DEAD!
NO! LOOK OUT!
Agk--
SLAM!

thwak
DO YOU BURN, STRANGER?
KRIK!
Krriiip!
NOOOOO!
BRASK

GET BACK! RUN! QUICKLY! HE HAS KAO'S WEAPON!
KA-BLAMM
LUCKY THIS TIME! WE CANNOT STOP HIM! HE'LL KILL US ALL!
KAO KNOWS THAT HE IS GOING TO DIE
...BUT HE HAS LEARNED JUST ENOUGH...
TNT
...SO THAT HE WILL NOT DIE ALONE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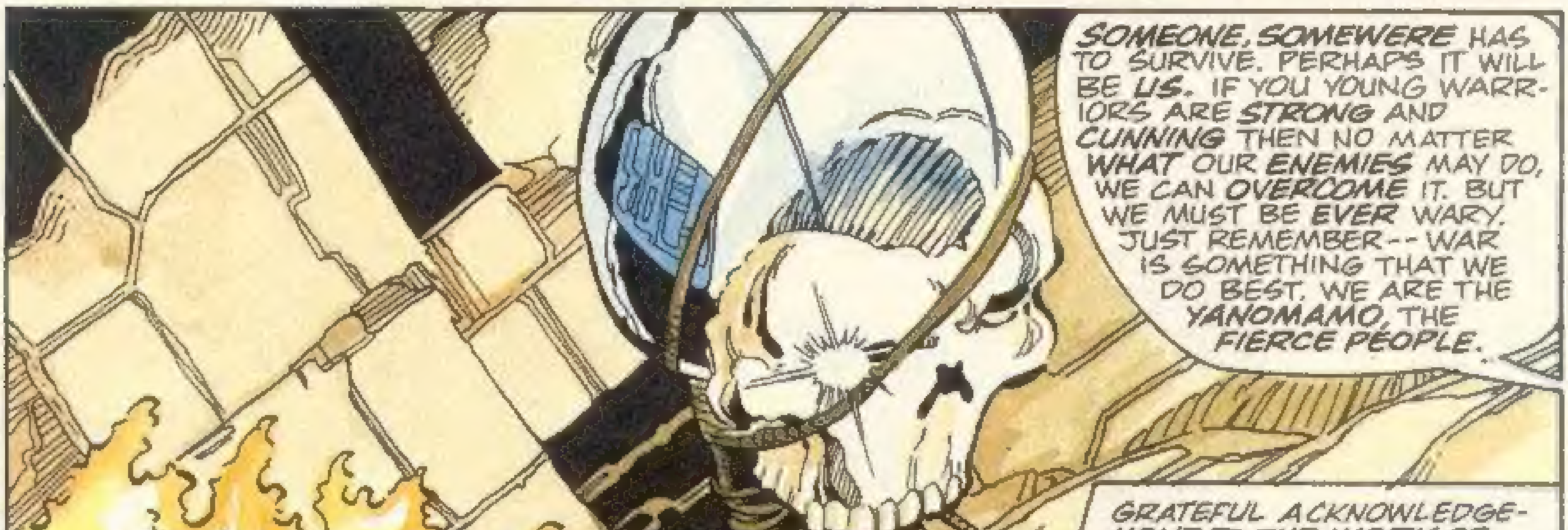
KAO
THE TERMINATOR'S MACHINE DETONATES. IT IS DESTROYED.
GWABOOM!
THE EXPLOSION SETS OFF THE HUNTER-KILLERS.
RUN!

TEKE HEARS THE ECHOES OF A DISTANT THUNDER
TAK-TAK-TAK
I WILL BLIND MY ENEMY! I WILL GRIND HIS EYE WITH STONE!
IN SPACE, HI-TOM MEETS WITH A METEOR A HUNDRED YARDS ACROSS...
...HEAD ON!
LOOK UP THERE! DO YOU SEE?!
BEAUTIFUL!
WE DID IT!
THE STRANGER IS DEAD!
YES-!
WE'VE WON-!

FAREWELL, KAO. GOOD JOURNEY.
WHAT'S WRONG? WHY ARE YOU ALL LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?
BEHIND YOU --!
SYSTEMS 97% NON-FUNCTIONAL
I-I-I-I--
I'LL...
...BE...
...BACK...

AND I BELIEVE HIM. IT HAS BEEN MANY YEARS SINCE THEN, BUT WE DO NOT KNOW THAT THE DANGER HAS PASSED. NO ONE HAS SEEN A FOREIGN MAN IN SO LONG THAT THEY ARE PROBABLY ALL GONE. BUT THAT DOES NOT MATTER. WHAT MATTERS IS THAT WE ARE READY SHOULD THE AMAHIRI EVER COME BACK FOR US.


SOMEONE, SOMEWERE HAS TO SURVIVE. PERHAPS IT WILL BE US. IF YOU YOUNG WARRIORS ARE STRONG AND CUNNING THEN NO MATTER WHAT OUR ENEMIES MAY DO, WE CAN OVERCOME IT. BUT WE MUST BE EVER WARY. JUST REMEMBER-- WAR IS SOMETHING THAT WE DO BEST. WE ARE THE YANOMAMO, THE FIERCE PEOPLE.
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